College of Agricultural & Environmental Sciences
Office of Academic Affairs

DATE:

February 4, 2004

TO:

Dr. Joe McHugh, Chair

CAES Curriculum Committee

FROM:

David Knauft

SUBJECT:

Deactivation of Crop Science major

Enclosed is a proposal from the Crop and Soil Sciences Department to deactivate the Crop Science major. Please move this expeditiously through faculty governance in our college. If approved, we will then forward to the University Curriculum Committee.

David Knauft

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College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences

Department of Crop and Soil Sciences

3 February 2004

To:

David Knauft, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, CAES

Through:

Donn Shilling, Department Head, Crop & Soil Sciences

From:

William K. Vencill

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Subject:

Deactivation of Crop Science major

The attached form has the required documentation for the deactivation for the BSA in Crop Science major according to Academic Affairs Policy Statement #4. This deactivation has been discussed and approved by the faculty of the Crop & Soil Sciences Department. Please let me know if there is additional information that is needed.

## Deactivation of BSA in Crop Science Undergraduate Program

- 1. The University of Georgia a. 23 January 2004
- 2. College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences
- 3. Department of Crop and Soil Sciences
- 4. Program: Crop Science Undergraduate Program
- 5. Action: Deactivation
- 6. May 8, 2004
- 7. The Crop Science undergraduate major has been an underenrolled major as defined by the Board of Regents for five years. The decreasing enrollment probably cannot be reversed without changes in admissions policies to the University of Georgia. This is the only Crop Science major in the University System of Georgia. There are seven students in the Crop Science major and we plan to allow these students to complete their program requirements, but no more will be admitted after the end of Spring Semester 2004. The core courses for the Crop Science major will continue to be offered as long as demand exists.

The deactivation of this major will have minimal impacts on faculty since most of the faculty that have taught in this major have left or retired and budget redirections have lead to faculty hires in other areas such as plant molecular biology. The core courses that were taught in the Crop Science major are service courses for other majors (Crop Science, Weed Science, Forages) and will make up the core of an Area of Emphasis under the BSA in Biological Sciences in Plant Sciences. This deactivation may result in enrollment decline in the MS in Agronomy and the MPPPM graduate programs.